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PUBLIC NOTICE TO INVOICED CONTRIBUTORS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

RE: COMMISSION ORDER IN DOCKET NO. 2017-334-C RELATED TO SOUTH CAROLINA USF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2017

On October 31, 2017, the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) requested the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) approve ORS' suspension of USF invoices for the month of December 2017. On November 8, 2017, the Commission approved the ORS request with a Directive, Order No. 2017-706 (see Link 1 below). In its Order the Commission requested that "ORS report...back to the Commission, regarding what the arrangements are, as far as the companies charging their customers that fee for December 2017."

A number of affected communications providers have indicated to ORS that they will suspend billing their customers during the month of December 2017, consistent with Section XI "Recovery of USF Contribution" in the Commission's Guidelines for the Administrators and Participants in the South Carolina Universal Service Fund, Order No. 2016-756 (see Link 2 below). With this Notice, ORS is requesting that all communications providers currently contributing to the SCUSF, provide ORS with a statement indicating how they will handle this adjustment with respect to their customers.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Chris Rozycki, Director of Telecommunications at (803)737-0819.

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- 1 <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Order/5c00fb37-c5a8-48b6-8e53-8192aa3b13d7>
- 2 <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Order/fac5870a-b739-434c-877e-45d9abd92888>